



# VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

October 18, 2013

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from October 11, 2013 – October 17, 2013. Readers are reminded that an “arrest” is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post-arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court’s website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents, which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact MPO Gary Lose for further information at [glose@viennava.gov](mailto:glose@viennava.gov))

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## INCIDENTS

### **Fraud 13-10241**

**600 Block Longview Court, NE**

**Between September 01 at 12:00 p.m. and October 14 at 10:58 a.m.**

A resident reported that an unknown person had purchased a computer, on the internet, using his identity without his knowledge.

This case is being investigated.

### **Bad Check 13-10309**

**Moto-Photo**

**136-D Maple Avenue, West**

**Between September 17 at 12:00 p.m. and October 16 at 9:53 a.m.**

An employee reported that a customer had written a check for services. The check was later returned by the bank for insufficient funds. The employee contacted the customer who stated she would make good on the payment however she has yet to settle her debt.

This case is being investigated.

**Grand Larceny 13-10161****200 Block Locust Street, SE****Between September 29 at 12:00 p.m. and September 30 at 5:00 p.m.**

A resident reported he sold a computer on eBay. He stated he packaged the computer and placed it in the hallway of his apartment building to be picked up by the mail carrier. He assumed it had been picked up when he returned home and the package was gone.

The resident later received a telephone call from the buyer informing him that the computer had not been delivered.

This case is being investigated.

**Vandalism 13-10159****100 Block Saint Andrews Drive, NE****Between October 10 at 9:00 p.m. and October 11 at 8:00 a.m.**

A resident reported that someone had punctured a tire on his vehicle.

**Fraud 13-10178****1200 Block Ware Street, SW****Between October 10 at 9:00 p.m. and October 11 at 11:23 a.m.**

A resident reported she had been contacted by her credit card company and informed that there may have been fraudulent charges made on her credit card.

The resident stated that is when she discovered someone had entered her unlocked vehicle and had taken her wallet.

This case is being investigated.

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**Suspicious Event 13-10162****W&OD Trail****October 11 4:19 p.m.**

A Town of Vienna employee reported he had found items, in a clearing by the trail, which may have been used by someone to illegally consume marijuana.

**Arrest - Domestic Assault 13-10173**

**Wolftrap Motel**

**430 Maple Avenue, West**

**October 11 11:34 p.m.**

A motel guest reported that she and her husband became embroiled in a heated argument that turned physical.

Officer Holcombe responded and after speaking with both the husband and wife she determined that the husband had assaulted his wife.

The husband was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Domestic Assault.

**Arrest – Drunk in Public 13-10176**

**Tapawingo Road, SW**

**October 12 2:14 a.m.**

A resident reported that an individual was attempting to enter her residence.

Officer Holcombe responded and located the individual, who stated he was the ex-husband of the resident and had left his cellular telephone in the house. After Officer Holcombe's interaction with the man she determined that he was intoxicated.

Officer Holcombe made several attempts to persuade him to leave the residence however he refused, leaving her no alternative but to arrest him for Drunk in Public.

The intoxicated individual was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was to be held until he was sober.

**Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 13-10198**

**500 Block Maple Avenue, West**

**October 12 10:08 p.m.**

PFC Ruddy conducted a traffic stop after observing the driver of a moped having difficulty maintaining his balance while stopped at a red traffic signal. Upon her interaction with the driver she detected the signs of possible impairment. After failing to complete several field sobriety tests PFC Ruddy arrested Mr. Jose A Zelaya-Sanchez, 42, of Chain Bridge Road in Vienna for Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. Zelaya-Sanchez was transported to the Vienna Police Station for an analysis of his breath. After the analysis he was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. Zelaya-Sanchez was held on a \$2,000.00 bond.

**Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 13-10207****Maple Avenue at Beulah Road, NE****October 13 2:16 a.m.**

Officer Tremont conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected the signs of possible impairment. After failing to complete several field sobriety tests he arrested Mr. Kushal Mahesh Vanodia, 22, of Sir Spencer Way in Vienna for Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. Vanodia was transported to the Vienna Police Station for an analysis of his breath. After the analysis he was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. Vanodia was to be held until he was sober.

**Suspicious Event 13-10215****400 Block West Street, NW****October 13 3:50 p.m.**

A resident reported that a group of individuals were outside his residence acting disorderly.

Officer Reedy responded and located the individuals who stated the resident had taken money from them in exchange for property that he did not give them.

Due to the discrepancies of the incident by all the individuals involved Officer Reedy was unable to determine if a violation of the law had occurred.

**Civil Dispute 13-10218****600 Block Gibson Circle, SW****October 13 7:37 p.m.**

A resident reported that her ex-husband had failed to return their children at the appointed time.

The ex-husband stated the children had fallen asleep and he was unable to contact his ex-wife.

Officer Holcombe responded and informed both parents that this was a civil matter and not a matter for the police.

**Vandalism 13-10254****The Maplewood Grill****132 Branch Road, SE****Between October 13 at 10:00 p.m. and October 14 at 5:00 p.m.**

An employee reported that a front window to the business had been cracked by an unknown object.

**Burglary 13-10251**

**100 Block Wilmar Place, NW**

**October 14 between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.**

A resident reported that she returned home and discovered that someone had broken out a window and entered her home. She stated that several pieces of jewelry had been taken.

This case is being investigated.

**Lost Property 13-10289**

**300 Block Maple Avenue, West**

**Between October 14 at 5:00 p.m. and October 15 at 9:00 a.m.**

A citizen reported that she had lost her wallet.

**Petit Larceny 13-10319**

**700 Block Hillcrest Drive, SW**

**Between October 15 at 1:00 p.m. and October 16 at 3:30 p.m.**

A resident reported that someone had entered her unlocked vehicle and had taken several cassette tapes and an undetermined amount of cash.

**Grand Larceny 13-10311**

**700 Block Ware Street, SW**

**Between October 15 at 2:00 p.m. and October 16 at 8:00 a.m.**

A citizen reported that someone had entered her unlocked vehicle and had taken several credit cards, cash and an iPod.

This case is being investigated.

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**Animal Case 13-10295**

**1000 Block Maple Avenue, East**

**October 15 7:53 p.m.**

Officer Tracy responded to the area in reference to the report of an injured deer (See Accident Case 13-10295).

Officer Tracy determined that the deer could not be saved.

**Petit Larceny 13-10312**

**400 Block Courthouse Road, SW**

**Between October 15 at 8:00 p.m. and October 16 at 6:00 a.m.**

A resident reported that someone had entered his unlocked vehicle and had taken an undetermined amount of cash.

**Petit Larceny 13-10313**

**700 Block Ware Street, SW**

**Between October 15 at 8:00 p.m. and October 16 at 7:00 a.m.**

A resident reported that someone had entered her unlocked vehicle and had taken a pair of sunglasses and an undetermined amount of cash.

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**Recovered Stolen Auto 13-10299**

**300 Block Maple Avenue, West**

**October 15 10:00 p.m.**

MPO Shaw was on patrol when he discovered a suspicious vehicle. Upon his further investigation he discovered the vehicle had been reported stolen from Fairfax County.

The vehicle was towed at the request of the Fairfax County Police and the owner was contacted.

**Medical Case 13-10300**

**Locust Street at Cottage Street, SW**

**October 15 10:21 p.m.**

A citizen reported that a vehicle had stopped in the middle of the roadway and the driver appeared to be intoxicated.

Officer Kiley responded and located the driver and determined she had been suffering from a medical emergency.

Fairfax County Fire and Rescue responded and treated the woman after which she was able to continue safely on her way.

**Vehicle Tampering 13-10329**

**500 Block Meadow Lane, SW**

**October 16 between 12:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m.**

A resident reported that someone had entered his unlocked vehicle. He stated the contents of the glove box had been emptied onto the front passenger seat, however nothing had been taken.

**Arrest – Drunk in Public 13-10317**  
**Orchard Street at Nutley Street, NW**  
**October 16 2:35 p.m.**

MPO Seitz responded to the area for the report of several individuals who were arguing and may have been escalating into a physical altercation.

MPO Seitz located the group and upon his interaction he determined one of the individual's was intoxicated. MPO Seitz arrested Mr. Ronald Sean Whelan, 20, of Chain Bridge Road in Vienna for Drunk in Public.

Mr. Whelan was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was to be held until he was sober.

**Animal Case 13-10320**  
**1100 Block Westbriar Drive, NE**  
**October 16 5:00 p.m.**

A resident reported that a fox had been in her backyard and appeared to be injured.

Officer Digan responded and determined that the fox could not be saved.

**Suspicious Event 13-10357**  
**500 Block Malcolm Road, NW**  
**October 17 4:15 p.m.**

A resident reported that while she was walking her dog in Peterson Lane Park she was approached by a young man approximately 13 – 14 years of age.

She stated the young man attempted to engage her in conversation which made her feel uncomfortable.

Officer Reedy responded and spoke with the resident who informed him that she did not want to get the young man in trouble however she did wish for Officer Reedy to speak with him and let him know that he made her uncomfortable and he should not approach women in that manner.

Based on the description given by the resident, Officer Reedy was able to determine the identity of the young man, who is a juvenile. Officer Reedy along with PFC Lyons responded to the juvenile's residence however he was not home.

Officer Reedy will follow up with this case.

**Suspicious Event 13-10333****200 Block McHenry Street, SE****October 17 6:40 a.m.**

A resident reported that she heard what sounded like someone jiggling the front door handle to her residence.

Officer Reedy along with MPO Seitz and PFC Lyons responded and after searching the outside and inside of the residence determined that there were no signs that anyone had attempted to force entry into the residence.

The officers also canvassed the neighborhood and surrounding streets and did not find any suspicious persons in the area.

**Natural Death 13-10363****500 Block Echols Street, SE****October 17 between 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.**

A resident reported that she had found her deceased husband in the living room.

A detective will follow up with this case.

**Suspicious Person 13-10364****500 Block Malcolm Road, NW****October 17 7:13 p.m.**

A resident reported that a young male had been at her residence and had been asking her questions and acting in a way that had made her feel uncomfortable.

Officer Holcombe responded and based on the description given by the resident she determined it was the same juvenile involved in Incident Number 13-10357 above. The resident was informed to telephone the Vienna Police Department if the juvenile was observed in the neighborhood again.

Officer Holcombe responded to the juvenile's residence and was informed he had just left with his grandmother whom he had been living with.

This case is being investigated.



## **CRASHES**

### **Maple Avenue near Berry Street, SE 13-10151**

**November 11 7:39 a.m.**

The driver of the first vehicle was stopped in traffic.

The driver of the second vehicle state she was unable to stop due to the wet roadway and rear ended the first vehicle.

### **Maple Avenue near Nutley Street, West 13-10160**

**October 11 3:21 p.m.**

The drivers of three vehicles were traveling west bound on Maple Avenue in the same lane of travel. The first two vehicles stopped due to traffic.

The driver of the third vehicle was unable to stop and rear ended the second vehicle causing the second vehicle to rear end the first vehicle.

### **Branch Road at Locust Street, SE 13-10166**

**October 11 7:23 p.m.**

The driver of a vehicle was traveling east bound on Locust Street, SE and stopped for the stop sign at Branch Road, SE.

Two pedestrians entered the crosswalk in an attempt to cross Branch Road.

The driver of the vehicle stated he did not see the pedestrians in the cross walk and struck them. One of the pedestrians suffered injuries and was transported to an area hospital for treatment.

The driver of the vehicle was charged with Failure to Yield to Pedestrians.

### **Lawyers Road at Malcolm Road, NW 13-10282**

**October 15 1:05 p.m.**

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling west bound on Malcolm Road approaching the intersection with Lawyers Road, NW.

The driver of the second vehicle was traveling south bound on Lawyers Road, approaching the intersection of Malcolm Road, NW.

The driver of the second vehicle did not yield the right of way and struck the first vehicle.

The driver of the second vehicle was charged with Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

### **300 Block Maple Avenue, West 13-10296**

**October 15 8:13 p.m.**

The driver of a vehicle was exiting a parking lot and struck a pedestrian.

This case is being investigated.

**1000 Block Maple Avenue, East 13-10297**

**October 15 8:17 p.m.**

The driver of a vehicle was traveling west bound on Maple Avenue when a deer ran in front of his vehicle. The driver was unable to avoid striking the deer.

**Nutley Street at Courthouse Road, SW 13-10096**

**October 09 1:18 a.m.**

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling west bound on Courthouse Road and stopped for the red traffic signal at Nutley Street, SW. The driver stated he was attempting to make a left turn onto Nutley Street when a second vehicle attempted to pass him and caused him to steer into the median.

The passing vehicle did not stop to exchange information.

## **MEDIA RELEASES**

None.

## **CASE UPDATES**

None.

## **OF INTEREST/ CITIZEN NOTES**

*Note to Citizens: Please remove all valuables from an unattended vehicle and most importantly, lock the vehicle doors.*

*Note to Citizens: When walking alone you should always be aware of your surroundings, if you are approached by someone you feel is suspicious or makes you feel uncomfortable please notify the Vienna Police Department immediately.*

*Remember We Want To Be Bothered!!!*

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**See or Hear Something? Say Something!**  
**We *WANT* to be Bothered! Call 9-1-1.**

Please contact MPO Gary Lose for further information on any of these cases at  
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